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1. WHILE POST WOULD WELCOME VISIT KENNEDY AND
CAVANAUGH, THEY SHOULD BE ADVISED MARKET FOR DAIRY
BREEDING STOCK AND RELATED SERVICES PRESENTLY

VERY LIMITED WITH BULK OF OWNERSHIP CONCENTRATED IN
ONE OR TWO HANDS. KUWAIT HAS ONLY SLIGHTLY MORE THAN
2000 CATTLE WHICH SUPPLY APPROXIMATELY 15 PERCENT
LOCAL MARKET REQUIREMENTS. OVER 1000 HEAD BELONG TO
KUWAIT DAIRY COMPANY AND ANOTHER 150 TO GOK EXPERIMENTAL
FARM WITH REMAINDER SCATTERED AMONG SEVERAL SMALL FARMS.

2. KENNEDY AND CAVANAUGH COULD PLAN ON SEEING KUWAIT
DAIRY CO. AND GOK REPS. FURTHERMORE, SEVERAL LOCAL
ENTREPRENEURS HAVE RECENTLY EXPRESSED INTEREST IN
ESTABLISHING AGRICULTURAL VENTURES AND VISIT MAY SERVE
AS CATALYST FOR STIMULATING NEW ACTIVITY IN THIS FIELD.
TWO WORKING DAYS (SAT-WED) PROBABLY SUFFICIENT TO ASSESS
OVERALL MARKET POTENTIAL. LOCAL OFFICES CLOSED THURSDAYS AND
FRIDAYS.

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